

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2004, in which the Examiner identified five inventions, Applicant elects the invention identified by the Examiner as invention "V" (claims 54 and 56-62), with traverse.

The election requirement is traversed because the applicant disagrees that inventions II, IV and V, as designated by the Examiner, are unrelated. Rather, as recited in claim 16, which applicant believes is generic to inventions II, IV and V, they are related in that they are directed to embodiments of a method of analyzing body, or subject, fluids using an implanted device. A search directed to the method, as claimed in the claims of invention II, IV and V, would not seem to impose an undue burden on the examiner.

It is believed that no additional fees are due in connection with this communication. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with this communication to Deposit Account 04-1420.

Reconsideration and early allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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